

Local Items.

We are again under obligations to Col. Rudler for late Augusta papers.

Sommeine Noun.—We have been requested to state that some prime stall-fed beef will be for sale this morning, at the ration house, South-east corner Plain and Assembly streets. Call soon, if you want to be supplied.

FRENCH ECONOMY.—We might take a few more lessons from the French *cuisines* in this our season of short commons. We once lodged in a French house where *pâtissiers* or fritters were brought on the breakfast table, each having in it a comb or foot of the fowl we had, roasted, the day before for dinner. Their juices saturated the fritter, so as to preclude the necessity of butter. So, at the same breakfast, we had an omelette, with eggs mingled with the blood of the chickens eaten the day before. A thin goblet of fat bacon introduced into a biscuit of corn egg-mends it gratefully to a hungry palate, and takes the dryness out of the joke. A little bread crumbled up with the contents of a single guinea squash, and seasoned with pepper and some finely chopped bacon, will pacify a prince who has not wholly lost his stomach. For spinach, you have an admirable substitute in *poke greens*, the plant being gathered young and subjected to the par-boiling process. Sour sorrel may be chopped up with vegetables, whether used as a pottage or a pickle. Use your wits, beloved, and do not starve, nor call the things of God unclean.

Telegraphic.

REPORTS OF PRESS ASSOCIATION.
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The Yankees in Sumter.

August, April 17.—The Yankee raiders destroyed the depot and some rolling stock at Sumterville, S. C. No private property molested. The enemy moved on Camden, where a large amount of railroad stock was accumulated. It was placed on a trestle, guarded by a force and securely protected. Gen. Lewis, with his Kentucky brigade, overtook the enemy near Camden, and after a short but spirited battle, the Yankees retreated rapidly and in confusion, Lewis following.

Affairs in the South and West.

August, April 16.—Montgomery was evacuated on Tuesday evening last. The cotton warehouses were burned and the piles of cotton destroyed estimated at 80,000 bales. A large portion of the city is reported to have suffered similar fate, especially in the vicinity of the cotton warehouses. The telegraph operator reported the enemy on the outskirts of the city Tuesday evening, which caused great excitement. Gen. Forrest, when last heard from, was twelve miles West of Selma. When it was learned at Montgomery that he was not pursuing the enemy, the city was evacuated.

Gov. Watts and other officers of the State Government have arrived in Columbus, and are deeply chagrined at the capture of the capital of Alabama by 6,000 Yankee cavalry, mounted infantry and artillery, which advanced by two roads—Benton and Lowndesboro—3,000 in each column. Gov. Watts retired to Eufaula.

Columbus papers of the last date received—the 28th—state that the Montgomery trains

brought a large number of soldiers and civilians—the former chiefly Alabama militia. They state that the militia were ordered from Montgomery without proper authority. A telegram awaited them at Chehaw ordering them back; only a portion returned. Much censure is visited on the officers of the command for their disgraceful misunderstanding, incompetency and reckless operations.

Gen. Cobb is in command at Columbus. Humphrey Marshall is in Augusta, and will deliver a speech on Monday night.

A Yankee raid is on the Congaree, near Kingville—supposed moving on Columbia.

Gen. G. W. Smith issues Orders No. 1, April 15, 1865, rendezvousing at Columbia, without delay, all under fifty; and orders all between fifty and sixty to remain ready at a moment's notice to obey Gov. Brown's call for active service.

August, April 17.—The Yankees assaulted and captured Columbus on Sunday, the 16th. Private property was respected in Montgomery. The cotton, Government and manufacturing establishments, railroads, boats, etc., were destroyed.

Gen. Humphrey Marshall is speaking to a large crowd in Augusta this afternoon. There is much enthusiasm, notwithstanding the news of Yankee successes in various places.

Latest Northern News.

August, April 16.—The *Chattanooga Gazette*, of the 4th, says the first despatch of the Federal movements before Petersburg, was dated March 30, from Grant's headquarters. Lee made seven demonstrations to find the position of the Yankee forces, but recoiled every time. On the 31st, Lincoln telegraphed from City Point that there had been much fighting. In the forenoon, the Confederate troops were successful; in the afternoon, the Yankees occupied their former position. Grant moved a mile towards Richmond. On the 1st of April, Gen. Steadman telegraphed, that after hard fighting, Generals Hoyden and Warren drove the Confederates back near Baranew, and occupied five works.

Grant's despatches say Sheridan carried everything before him, and captured three brigades of infantry, a wagon train, several batteries of artillery and several thousand prisoners.

APRIL 2.—Lincoln telegraphs to Stanton, from City Point, that Grant had captured 12,000 prisoners and fifty pieces of artillery. Foster's division captured an important fort, with the entire garrison. Everything carried on the left and Petersburg closely invested.

Petersburg was occupied by the Yankees on Sunday night. In the fight before the city, the Yankees say they captured over 3,000 prisoners.

APRIL 3.—Grant despatches that he carried everything before him, and after three days' hard fighting, occupied Richmond on Monday morning, April 3, at 8 o'clock.

There is great rejoicing over the North. A Washington despatch says the war is over. The programme of Grant anticipates all the possible movements of the Confederates—their retreat being cut off at all points. Grant, Sherman, Thomas and Hancock are closing around the fragments of the Confederate army. In New York, there was continuous firing and salutes. In Philadelphia, there was a large procession, locomotives whistled, Independence bell was rung and other demonstrations. In Baltimore, the mayor caused the bells to be rung. In Cincinnati, there was a general suspension of business, and a grand display of fireworks in the evening. In New York, the news of Grant's successes almost suspended business. It is difficult to estimate the effect on prices until the fate of Lee's army is known

and the prospects of a junction with Johnston, to offer battle at some point, or possibly fall on Sherman.

Gold opened at 143, but fell to 145. No specie offered for sale. The stock market has been gradually over-sold, hence the scarcity of gold. Cotton fell five cents a pound—quoted at 38.

AUCTION SALES.

By L. T. Levin.

JOSEPH SAMSON, SALESMAN.

WILL be sold, THIS DAY, 18th inst., in Griehaber's yard, Assembly street, at 10 o'clock. The following articles of FURNITURE: Chairs, Tables, Bedsteads, Bed and Bedding, What-Nots; a quantity of Crockery; Kitchen Utensils; a lot of Clothing, good articles; Looking Glasses, and a variety of other articles.

ALSO,
About 50 oz. of Silver Spoons and Forks. Conditions cash. Sale positive—owner removing from the city. April 18

Furniture Sale.

By F. Lance.

I will sell, THIS Tuesday MORNING, at 10 o'clock, at C. A. Odell's lot,

A fine assortment of HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE—parties leaving the city—such as: Hair Seat Chairs, What-Not, Waiters, Wardrobe, Bureau, Washstand, Goblet and Basin, Black Walnut Dining Table, Pair Fitchers, pair Desauters, China Set, Stove Pan, Giddle, Waffle Iron, Pair Vases, Bedsteads.

All of the above articles will be sold without the least reserve. Terms cash. April 18

Parlor and Bed room Furniture, Carpets, Rugs, Cooking Utensils, etc.

By F. Eugene Durbee.

WILL be sold, on THURSDAY, 20th inst., at 10½ o'clock, at the residence in Richland street, in rear of Glass's Foundry.

The following articles, viz:
2 Sofas, 1 Marble top Table, 2 Card Tables, 3 fine Carpets and Rugs, (1 Brussels.) Extension Table, Hair Seat Chair, Rooking Chair, What-Not, 1 large Mirror, Sideboards, Bureau, Press, Bedsteads, Washstands, Chinaware, Pictures, Cooking Utensils, &c. April 18

School Notice.

THE MISSES HENRY, having had several years' experience in teaching, propose opening a DAY SCHOOL for young ladies, on MONDAY, 1st May, at their residence on Stark's Hill, East end of Gervais street, and solicit a share of the public patronage. Mrs. FOOTMAN is also desirous of obtaining a few Music-Scholars. For terms, &c., apply as above. References—Rev. P. J. Shand, Rev. Wm. Martin, Rev. J. L. Reynolds, D. D., and Hon. T. J. Goodwyn Mayor. April 18 1865

Notice.

IN pursuance of the authority vested in me by Section 3 Article II of the Constitution of the Episcopal Church in this Diocese, I hereby change the place of the meeting of the next Diocesan Council from the city of Columbia to Camden; and the time from the 10th to the 24th of May next. The Council will, therefore, be held in Grace Church, Camden, on the 24th of May. The necessities for these changes are so obvious that they need not be stated, and I earnestly request the attendance of the members of the Council. THOS. P. DAVIS, Bishop of the Diocese of S. C.

The attention of the Clergy and Parishes of the Diocese is called to the above, and those who may fail to receive the usual notification, are requested to consider it in lieu thereof.

J. D. McCOLLOUGH, Secretary of Council. April 18